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WELCOME TO VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH

September 3, 2023

VISITING?

We're glad you're here! Be sure to stop by the Welcome Counter to pick up a Welcome Gift, which includes a booklet that explains everything you need to know about VBC. The folks there will also be happy to answer any questions you may have.

SUNDAY CHILDCARE & VBC KIDS MINISTRY

The nursery is available during all three services for ages 0-3 years. For 9:30 and 11 am Kids Sunday School (ages 3 years - 5th grade), children may be checked in before each service starts at one of the VBC Kids Check-In stations, then attend the singing portion of the worship service with you before being dismissed to Sunday School.

8 am Childcare

Nursery | 0 - 3 Years Old | 122

9:30 am Childcare/Sunday School

Nursery | 0 - 3 Years Old | 122
3 Yrs - 5th Grade | VBC Kids Wing

11 am Childcare/Sunday School

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ATTN: LIFE GROUPS!

Life group sign-ups are open now! Life Groups are the primary vehicle of discipleship at VBC. If you aren't in a life group, this is a great time to find one that fits your schedule. Groups are typically made up of 10-12 people who meet weekly to pray, share, study, and support one another. The fall session begins Sept. 17. For more info, visit the sign-up table in the foyer or go to spokanevbc.org/life-groups.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Sept. 9 - Men's Breakfast
- Sept. 10 - Medical Team meeting
- Sept. 14 - Understanding Your Grief Support Group begins
- Sept. 16 - Women's Breakfast
- Sept. 17 - Life Group session begins
- Sept. 24 - Single Women and Widows Luncheon
- Sept. 27 - Women's Bible Studies

Visit spokanevbc.org/events
for more information

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GIVING REPORT

General: August \$65,720, YTD \$704,928
Building Fund: Given \$44,737

ANNOUNCEMENTS

URGENT NEED: VBC KIDS FALL VOLUNTEERS

The Fall session is starting on Sunday, Sept. 10. We are looking for the following volunteers: **Preschool Assistant(s)**, 9:30 service, 2x month or every week; **PreK-K Teacher**, 9:30 service, 2x month; **Floater/Extra Assistant(s)**, 9:30 service, 1-3x month; **Preschool Assistant**, 11:00 Service Sept 10-24; **Substitute Teachers & Assistants**, especially for Preschool. Please contact Jennifer Dokken if you are interested, jennifer@spokanevbc.org.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Today is the last day to drop off donations for University Elementary and CV Virtual School in the bin next to the church office!

LOST AND FOUND

Lost and Found items will be donated *next Sunday, Sept. 10*. If you have lost anything or want to take a quick look, the Lost and Found is located behind the Welcome Counter.

MEDICAL TEAM MEETING

For anyone interested in serving on the Medical Team, there will be a short informational meeting Sept. 10 at 12:30 pm. For details, please contact Cory Miles at cmmiles11@gmail.com or (541) 910-7844.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is *this Saturday at 8 am*. It is offered on the second Saturday of every month for men, high school age and up. We will be studying the book *It's Good to Be a Man* by Michael Foster and Dominic Bnonn Tennant.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Two Adult Sunday School classes start next week during the 9:30 service. Dr. Mike Powell will teach *Our Eternal Home* (a 4-week class), and Rich King will teach *The Role of God in the Lives of the Devoted, the Disobedient, and the Dastardly* (a 12-week class).

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The 12-week Understanding Your Grief Support Group is designed to encourage healthy mourning in a safe Christian environment. Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Counter for more information and to register. *Registration closes next Tuesday, Sept. 12.*

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

VBC's Women's Ministry is offering 3 different Bible studies this fall! For class descriptions and to sign up, go to spokanevbc.org/women/womens-bible-study. We are hoping to offer childcare — if you can help with childcare, please contact Marlene Zeis at dmzeis@comcast.net.

AWANA CLUB

If you are interested in having your children (3rd-12th grade) attend an AWANA Club, contact Nancy Hodge at yellow_mum@hotmail.com.

FALL KICK-OFF MINISTRY GUIDE

In the back of today's bulletin, you'll find the *Fall Kick-Off Ministry Guide*. In it is all the information for the activities and programs that are happening at VBC beginning next Sunday. Please note that many offerings have deadlines, sign-ups, and different start dates. Contact the leader listed with questions about a particular ministry.



FALL KICKOFF

— *Ministry Guide* —

GROW & CONNECT AT VBC

There are several ministries kicking off Sunday, Sept. 10, to help you grow in your walk with the Lord and connect with your church family!

ADULT MINISTRIES

LIFE GROUPS are weekly gatherings of 8-12 adults who desire to grow together by studying God's Word, investing in relationships, supporting one another, and seeking opportunities to reach out to those around them with the Gospel. Each group is led by a trained leader and includes a time of fellowship and light refreshments. To sign up, visit the Life Group table today or email lifegroups@spokanevbc.org.

spokanevbc.org/life-groups

Beginning the week of 9/17, days vary | 1.5-2 hours per week

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

- *Our Eternal Home* - Much of what many Christians believe about our eternal state comes from Platonism and not the Bible. This class will examine what the Bible says about our eternal home. It will answer questions such as: *Where do we go when we die? What will our resurrection bodies be like? Are the New Heavens and New Earth going to be real physical places? What will we be doing for all eternity?* Taught by Dr. Mike Powell. 4-week class in Room 130.

- *The Role of God in the Lives of the Devoted, the Disobedient, and the Dastardly* - In this class we will examine the lives of biblical personalities and how their actions relate to God's purpose. We will explore questions such as: *If God foreordains all things, what about evil? Is God's plan based on His foresight of what He knows His creatures will do? Do humans have free will?* Taught by Rich King. 12-week class in room 130b.

Both classes begin Sunday, 9/10 | 9:30-10:40 am

IGNITE provides college/career-age adults an opportunity for fellowship and Christian growth alongside peers. For more information, email chris@spokanevbc.org.

Fall Kick-off BBQ TBA

GLOBAL OUTREACH TEAM

VBC supports almost 20 global outreach partners (and their families) serving in over ten countries spanning four continents. The goal of the Global Outreach team is to maintain personal relationships with these partners, encourage them, and support their ministries. If you would like to join the team or learn more, email caleb@spokanevbc.org.

spokanevbc.org/global-outreach

3rd Sunday of every month | 12:30 pm | Room 130a

BRIDGE MINISTRIES provides free pastoral counseling, rooted in Scripture, to our church and our community.

spokanevbc.org/bridge-ministries

PRAYER TEAM gathers weekly on Sunday mornings to pray for the worship services, staff, volunteers, and other specific requests.

Sundays | 7:30 am | Room 130

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF is for anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, designed to help understand and encourage healthy mourning in a safe Christian environment. The fall session runs Sept. 14-Dec. 7 and meets at VBC. Pre-registration is required by Sept. 12. Pick up a brochure at the Welcome Counter for more information and to register.

Thursdays, beginning 9/14 | Pre-register by Sept. 12 | 6:30-8:15 pm | Room 130a

MEN'S MINISTRIES

SPOKANEVBC.ORG/MEN

MEN'S LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE is a new effort for men who desire to take on responsibility in their vocation and community. We ask anyone interested, ages high school and older, to read *The Conviction to Lead* by Albert Mohler.

Kick-off BBQ on Sept. 29 at 6 pm | ben@spokanevbc.org for more info

MEN'S BREAKFAST is offered on the second Saturday of every month to men ages 13 and older. We will be studying the book *It's Good to Be a Man* by Michael Foster and Dominic Bnonn Tennant.

Beginning 9/9 | 8-9:30 am | Room 130 | vbcpointmen@gmail.com for more info

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

SPOKANEVBC.ORG/WOMEN

TITUS 2 WOMEN'S MENTORING offers mentorship training and networking for women who want to nurture, equip, and encourage younger women at VBC in their pursuit to become godly women. We also provide gift baskets to women in the church who could use a bit of encouragement.

Contact Lorri Peasley, titus2@spokanevbc.org

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Wednesdays, 9:30-11 am

- *Surrender: The Heart God Controls* by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth. A 9-week study facilitated by Marlene Zeis & Phyllis Morgan.

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:15 pm

- *Free from Bondage God's Way* by Kay Arthur. A 9-week inductive Bible study facilitated by Jen Morton.

- *Spirit-Led Heart Postures for Approaching God's Word*. A 9-week Bible study facilitated by Julie Baker.

All studies begin 9/27. Sign up at spokanevbc.org/women/womens-bible-study

BLANKET MAKERS make quilts to give to those who are in need of comfort and support in the church or the greater Spokane area, as well as to our global outreach partners around the world. No sign-up necessary, just bring your own sewing supplies and lunch. Contact Billie Hersh to learn more, hersh-e@comcast.net.

1st Saturday & 3rd Thursday of every month | 9 am - 3 pm | Room 130a

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST is offered on the third Saturday of every month to women high school age and up.

3rd Saturday of each month, beginning 9/16 | 9 am - 11 am | Room 130

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SPOKANEVBC.ORG/VBC-KIDS

NURSERY is open to infants and children up to 3 years old during all three services.

VBC KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL (offered to ages 3 years - 5th grade) offers different curriculum during the 9:30 and 11 am services, each designed to teach through the entire Bible within a 3- to 4-year period.

Children may be checked in before each service starts at one of the check-in stations, then attend the singing portion of the adult worship service with their parents before being dismissed to Sunday School. For parents attending Adult Sunday School during the 9:30 service, they will have the option to drop off their kids early for an informal introduction activity. If you have questions, contact Jennifer Dokken, jennifer@spokanevbc.org.

Sundays, beginning 9/10 | 9:30 & 11 am | VBC Kids Wing

YOUTH MINISTRY

SPOKANEVBC.ORG/YOUTH

At VBC, we take the responsibility to disciple our youth seriously. Connect (6th-8th grade) and The Pursuit (9th-12th grade) ministries help lay a foundation for the Christian faith through biblical instruction, Christian fellowship, and opportunities to serve. It is our joy to partner with parents in shepherding our youth as they emerge into adulthood. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Chris Martin, chris@spokanevbc.org.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL is offered during the 9:30 service for middle and high school.

Middle School (Fellowship Hall): New Testament Survey

High School (room 151): Hot Topics Mini-Series

Sundays, beginning 9/10 | 9:30-10:40 am

COURAGEOUS CONQUERORS is a new Sunday School option during the 9:30 service for differently abled students, including individuals who have challenges in reading and writing. This class is designed for students in 6th-12th grade who may benefit from a curriculum in between elementary and secondary school levels of learning. Courageous Conquerors will be flexibly tailored to the students in attendance, incorporating multiple learning styles as developmentally appropriate. Please call Stephanie at the church office (509-928-5161) for more information and/or to enroll your student. We are also looking for a co-teacher and assistants.

Sundays, beginning 9/10 | 9:30 am | Pre-enrollment required | Room 152

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP brings students together to fellowship around truth and relationships. Middle school and high school students study God's Word, sing, enjoy activities, and fellowship in small groups.

Middle School: Ecclesiastes

High School: Ecclesiastes

Wednesdays | 6:30-8:30 pm | Auditorium

THE DIVINE DESIGN FOR DEALING WITH DIFFICULT DAYS

Chris Martin / September 3, 2023 / Psalm 37

_____ your _____ (1-9)

_____ God's _____ (10-26)

_____ for the _____ (27-40)

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are *intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.*